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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Advisory Action, mailed by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on April 12, 2006, and in lieu of filing an Appeal Brief further to the Notice of Appeal filed on March 16, 2006, please find enclosed a Request for Continued Examination in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and the requisite fee. Please extend the time for response five (5) months to expire on October 16, 2006. A Petition for an Extension of Time and the requisite fee are enclosed.

Please amend the application as follows.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 3 of this paper.